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FOR MARK PRATT FROM THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: LONG BORET REQUEST TO NEANG CHIN HAN

1. PRIME MINISTER LONG BORET WHO IS PRESENTLY ENGAGED IN RESHAPING HIS CABINET FOLLOWING THE DISRUPTIVE EVENTS OF JUNE 4, HAS ASKED MY ASSISTANCE IN GETTING AN URGENT MESSAGE TO NEANG CHIN HAN WHO, AS YOU KNOW, RECENTLY COMPLETED A SHORT STAY IN THE U.S. AS A LEADER GRANTEE AND IS NOW IN PARIS WITH HIS FAMILY. BORET WISHES TO OFFER HIM THE KEY POSITION OF MINISTER FOR EXPEDITING AFFAIRS IN THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. HE WOULD BE THE PRIME MINISTER'S RIGHT-HAND MAN CHARGED WITH COORDINATING THE PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT.

2. ACCORDINGLY, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONTACTING NEANG CHIN HAN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO CONVEY BORET'S OFFER. BORET HAS ASKED THAT THE NEED FOR HAN'S SERVICES BE CONVEYED WITH CONSIDERABLE FORCE SINCE HE MAY BE RELUCTANT. YOU MIGHT NOTE THAT THE PRIME MINISTER BADLY NEEDS HAN BY HIS SIDE IN ORDER TO COPE WITH THE GRAVE PROBLEMS NOW FACING THE GKR. HE KNOWS OF NO OTHER LEADER WITH THE ENERGY, COMPETENCE OR TRUSTWORTHINESS REQUIRED TO TAKE ON THE RESPONSIBILITIES HE WISHES TO CONFIDE TO HAN. THE PRIME MINISTER HOPES, AS DO WE, CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT HAN WILL IN THIS INSTANCE SUBORDINATE HIS PERSONAL

INTERESTES TO THOSE OF THE NATION.

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